

COST SHARE PROGRAM CONTRACTS ON GOVERNMENT-OWNED PROPERTY

STATEMENT OF INTENT

~~02 NCAC 59D .0105 15A NCAC 6E.0105~~ requires ~~the Commission to approve~~ Agriculture Cost Share Program (ACSP) contracts on property owned by federal, state or local governments to be approved by the commission. ~~The Commission receives occasional requests to approve such contracts.~~ Commission policy also applies this requirement to Agricultural Water Resources Assistance Program (AgWRAP) contracts on property owned by federal, state or local governments. The intent of this policy is to establish criteria to guide the staff in presenting to the ~~c~~Commission requests for consideration of ACSP and AgWRAP contracts on ~~g~~Government property, regardless of funding source.

This policy does not apply to Community Conservation Assistance Program (CCAP) cost share contracts.

STATEMENT OF POLICY

It is the policy of this commission that all requests for approval of ACSP and AgWRAP contracts on government property must include the following:

1. Written explanation of why the district is recommending this contract be approved.
2. Written explanation from the cooperating agency of why the funds necessary for implementing the prescribed best management practices are not available from sources other than the ACSP or AgWRAP.
3. Written explanation of how this project will be used to demonstrate ~~innovative~~ best management practices to local landowners.

A district supervisor and a representative from the cooperating government agency must be present at the commission meeting to present the request and respond to questions from commission members.

~~This policy shall remain in effect until rescinded, amended, or otherwise altered by the Soil and Water Conservation Commission. Any change in policy shall be effective at the discretion of the Commission. Notice shall not be required.~~